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Other Individuals and Organizations Involved of Interviewed

Date December 2, 1963

Lt. Colonel L. L. RIVERS, USA, Retired, appeared at the Brownsville Resident Agency of the FBI voluntarily on November 22, 1963, at 2:30 p.m. and advised as follows:

He states that he had heard a man who was unknown to him state just after the assassination of President KENNEDY that about six months ago he was in a bar in Harlingen, Texas, drinking beer. Colonel RIVERS' unknown source said that while drinking beer that he engaged in conversation with another beer drinker who was unknown to him. This second unknown person said some very derogotory things about President KENNEDY and said that he belonged to an organization known as the Minute Men and that they planned to assassinate the President should he come to Texas and that they possessed rifles with scopes and that the person had been chosen to kill the President.

RIVERS' source said that he thought at the time that the man was "nuts or drunk" and disregarded the conversation.

Colonel RIVERS' source was later identified as KENNETH SHAND of Harlingen, Texas, who was also interviewed and could give no additional information either as to the alleged statement or as to the possible identity of the person who made these statements in a bar in Harlingen about six months ago.

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by SA CLAY ZACHRY, JR. / cjn Date dictated 11/27/63

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Colonel Rivers could not have contacted the FBI more promptly. But the ever-diligent FBI took 10 days to write this inadequate report. Shand certainly did say much more than this FBI report contains.